



CEEIN Meeting November 15, 2007 – Meeting Minutes

Lead: Becky Williams

Notetaker: Andrea Lewis

Attendees: Edward Wong, Becky Williams, Susan Knadle, Carolyn Tucker, Nita Davidson, Shiloh Hepper, Andrea Lewis, Hedda Jowza (on phone), Laurie Monseratt, and Annie Frankel (on phone).

Meeting called to order at 9:40 a.m.

1. Check-in and Catch-up

- Welcome & Introductions: Everyone introduced themselves (see above).
- Reviewed Agenda and added new items:
 - Hedda (next meeting in January '08)
 - Andrea (Environmental Town Hall/CSU, Sacramento)
 - Ed Wong (GSEEC's/Central Valley Consortium)
- Approve Minutes from October 2007: Approved unanimously.
- Outstanding Action Items:
 - Becky: CSTA Conference in Long Beach - DONE
 - Susan: Spoke to Kristen Haney and gave her the Disney website. She'd follow-up with Christiane at the Walt Disney Company – DONE

2. Committee Reports

- Administration & Organization: None
- Leadership & Legislation: None, will get together after the first of the year.
Question from Hedda: Sierra Club's-sponsored legislation. Suggestion to go to either the Sierra Club's website or LegInfo website.
- Communications: CAFE booth which is done in conjunction with the Diversity Committee (Carolyn Tucker & Kay Antunez). Hedda: will volunteer and perhaps have dollars to contribute once the federal government budget is approved. We're still applying for a booth...we'd like to have a large presence at CAFE. Hedda will check with her administrative office on possible funding. Annie: What is the procedure for paying? Kay will get back to all of us when the exhibition people will distribute their forms.
Carolyn will follow-up with Kay to see how many booths will CEEIN want?
UCD/Dept. of Toxicology might be a participant; Susan Knadle will follow-up.
We'll re-connect on this in January 2008. The conference will be held in March 5-8 in San Jose.

- Diversity: Attended GSEEC's "Connecting with Underserved Communities" (Ed Wong and Celeste Royer) recently. Highlight by the Central Valley Consortium re: introduce more people into their program and enhancements to programs to support kids with internships, developing young leaders, and involving parents. Program that has been on-going for over 12 years; related to USDA. Ed was impressed! Fresno Hispanic Youth Symposium and participation in the Hmong festival(s). He'd like to have the leader present to CEEIN at an upcoming meeting. Ed will follow-up with Kay and Jim. It would also be an interesting subject to bring up at our EJ sections. Ed will email the website to the CEEIN group (USDA Diversity Program).
- Environmentality: Becky reported she is working on the contract end to get going on processing the paperwork for our agencies to contribute. A few hoops. She's shooting for a January 1 start date. Postcards and brochures are available. Andrea will follow-up with Christiane to identify the DEC date and get that information to CEEIN reps.
 - Cal/EPA's Coastal Hearing Room, March 14, 2008 – Announcement Luncheon!
 - Cal/EPA's Training Rooms, Second Floor, March 12-13, 2008 – Portfolio Judging

3. Miscellaneous Topics

- Field Trips in 2008: January for McClellan/RAFT (Resource Area for Teachers). Kay will organize the field trip and she'll likely facilitate the meeting. Business meeting will be short.
- May 15th: Crystal is taking the lead to coordinate the Roseville Exploration Center and will host the meeting. Business meeting will be short.
- 2008 Meetings/CEEIN Reps: DTSC and SWRCB have vacancies and we don't have permanent reps. We have 2/08 and 6/08 "open". We're in fairly good shape other than these two months. Becky will send a "host" list to us and follow-up with Christiane on the March luncheon date. Becky will let Andrea know the date for follow-up with the caterer.
- Environmental Town Hall for CA High School Students: Sarah Vogel, LegiSchool Project Coordinator from the Center for California Studies at Sacramento State, has requested participation by our CEEIN organizations in their resource fair on December 6th at the State Capitol. Andrea distributed Sarah's latest info on this event.

4. What's New in Your World

- Becky asked all attendees to provide info, if not provided in advance of meeting.

5. January Agenda:

- CABA Coordination

- Andrea to get the minutes out ASAP (**Sorry**...between work travel, holidays, and the healing broken foot, it wasn't possible)

Andrea re-capped the action items for the meeting, as follows:

Action Item	Assigned to...
Check on U.S. EPA funding opportunities for CABE	Hedda Jowza
CABE exhibit forms/costs	Kay Antunez
CABE booths – how many does CEEIN need/want?	Carolyn to follow-up with Kay
UCD, Dept. of Toxicology a CABE exhibitor?	Susan Knadle to follow-up
Central Valley Consortium presentation at a future CEEIN meeting	Ed Wong to confer with Kay and Jim
Email USDA's Diversity Program website to CEEIN members.	Ed Wong
DEC Announcement Luncheon date for 2008	Andrea (Done, see above!)
CEEIN "Host" list distributed to CEEIN members	Becky
Roseville Exploration Center field trip.	Crystal Harden (Please note, Crystal is no longer working for CDE)
State van rental for 1/17 for carpooling.	Ed Wong

Thanks to ARB and students that supplement the notes! (From Nita)

Exact date of the January meeting: Sacramento RAFT (Becky will follow-up with Kay on logistics and carpooling possibilities for the January meeting and get the info out to CEEIN members) - January 17th: Ed will check out renting a van from the State Garage.

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Meeting concluded at 11:00 a.m.